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**Thomas Jefferson to James Monroe, May 8, 1814, from
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Monticello May 8.14.

My dear Sir

I know that your esteem for our mutual friend Kosciuszko will interest you in relieving the sufferings under which he now is in Paris. All his funds are in our monied institutions, and we are now transferring them into the hands of the government on the new loan but the cause of his distress is our inability to find the means of remitting his annual interest, the sole source of his subsistence. The entire destruction of all the relations of commerce has swept away the resource of private bills. The object of this letter is to beseech you to avail Mr. Barnes of any means which your department may offer of remitting to the General his annual funds. Mr. Barnes will have the honor of asking your advice on this subject.

I shall set out for Bedford in about 8 or 10 days. I shall regret it very much should it deprive me of the pleasure of seeing you here. My absence will be of 3 or 4 weeks. Affectionately
yours

Th. Jefferson

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